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THE HON. SRI B. PARAMESWARAN :—" (a) Yes.

" (b) It is being examined by the Government."

Number of members belonging to Backward Classes in the staff of the Co-operative department.

* 1408 Q.—SRI K. R. SAMBANDAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state the total number of Backward classes employees in all the posts in the Co-operative department from the rank of Junior Inspectors of Co-operative Societies upwards in the Residuary State?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Three hundred and forty-six members belonging to Backward classes are working in the Co-operative department from the rank of Junior Inspectors upwards."

Grievances of the elementary school teachers.

* 1409 Q.—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolutions passed by the Elementary School Teachers' Conference held at Perambalur on 14th February 1954;

(b) whether resolutions were passed by teachers in the said conference requesting the Government not to retrench the existing number of elementary school teachers as a result of the working of the Modified Scheme of Elementary Education and also not to impose the responsibility of increasing the strength of the pupils in the elementary schools, upon the teachers;

(c) whether the Government have examined the several resolutions passed in the said Conference; and

(d) if so, with what result?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) to (d) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to the answer given to starred question No. 1091 (1689) answered on 19th May 1954."

Regulation of private irrigation sources in Malabar.

* 1410 Q.—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state whether the Government have under consideration any proposal to regulate and control private irrigation sources of Malabar?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Yes."